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STATESBORO - Georgia Southern head football coach [Chad Lunsford](#) today announced that starting inside linebacker [Marques Watson-Trent](#) and starting cornerback [Derrick Canteen](#) will miss the remainder of the season due to injuries.

Watson-Trent, a redshirt freshman, tore the ACL in his left knee late in the opener against Gardner-Webb and had surgery on Wednesday. Canteen, who was a Freshman All-American last year after tying for the national lead in interceptions, tore his right pectoral muscle early against FAU and will have to have surgery. Both will be able to appeal for medical hardships to get the year of eligibility back should they choose.

[Khadry Jackson](#) moved into Watson-Trent's starting spot at linebacker last week and [Tyler Bride](#) is expected to make his first collegiate start in Canteen's place this Saturday.

The Eagles have now lost three starters on defense for the season after inside linebacker [Todd Bradley-Glenn](#) torn his biceps muscle in the first preseason scrimmage.

In announcing these injuries, Lunsford also announced two position changes to try and add depth on the defensive side. Senior [NaJee Thompson](#) will move to cornerback and redshirt freshman [Sam Kenerson](#) will make the move to wide receiver. Additionally, the Eagles are expected to have quarterback [Connor Cigelske](#) back this weekend. The redshirt freshman suffered an injury late in spring ball that forced him to have surgery.

Georgia Southern (1-1) travels to Fayetteville, Arkansas, this weekend to take on No. 20 Arkansas (2-0) in a game that kicks off at 4 p.m. (ET) on the SEC Network.
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